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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 26-Jan-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 01/26/02	PREVIOUS WEEK 01/19/02
BRO-FRY	151,760	162,400
LT HENS	1,935	2,138
HVY HENS	1,342	1,470

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA  
 WEEKS ENDING 19-Jan-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	423	0	423
LAST WEEK	271	8	279
SAME WK YR AGO	591	7	598
TO DATE 2002	837	8	845
TO DATE 2001	1,553	20	1,573

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,304	1,298	3,602
LAST WEEK	2,245	1,386	3,631
SAME WK YR AGO	2,378	1,383	3,761
TO DATE 2002	6,128	3,855	9,983
TO DATE 2001	6,672	3,413	10,085

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-02 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	158,580 (A)	1,881	1,298	3,179
AVG WT	5.24	3.62	7.73	5.30
LAST WEEK	159,574	1,974	1,378	3,352
SAME WEEK YR AGO	149,911	1,787	1,376	3,163
AVG WT	5.07	3.42	7.75	5.30
TO-DATE/2002	436,423	5,291	3,847	9,138
TO-DATE/2001	433,934	5,119	3,393	8,512

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 155 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160.5 million head or 5.5 million head more than or 104 percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING January 12,2002**

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
HEAD	26,552	22,469	48,716
AVG WEIGHT	3.69	4.76	6.25
% OF TOTAL /1	27%	23%	50%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	25,261	14,782	37,806
AVG WEIGHT	3.84	4.77	6.23
% OF TOTAL /1	32%	19%	49%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	37,338	20,249	51,280
AVG WEIGHT	3.81	4.76	6.01
% OF TOTAL /1	34%	19%	47%
TO DATE/2002	51,813	37,251	86,522
TO DATE/2001	64,542	46,656	97,535

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-02  
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,660	2,594	32	10	4,296
AVG WT	16.31	38.28	29.15	35.99	29.71
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	1,840	2,790	34	2	4,666
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,855	2,735	41	36	4,667
AVG WT	15.74	35.74	24.31	25.74	27.62
TO-DATE/2002	4,762	7,262	99	12	12,135
TO-DATE/2001	5,466	7,680	80	48	13,274

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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